

REMARKS

I. Election of the Invention to be Examined

In response to the Examiner's Restriction Requirement, the Applicant elects to prosecute claims 13-19 (Group II) which are drawn to a method for controlling house dust mites and bedmites.


II. Claim Amendments

Claims 1-4, 6-8 and 10-12 are canceled; thus, claims 13-19 (Group II) are pending.

Independent claim 13 has been amended to require the steps of incorporating a chemical compound into a polymeric article and thereafter using the polymeric article to manufacture a bedding, upholstered article, or floor covering product. The chemical compound is required to provide anti-fungal activity against fungi of at least one of *aspergillus glaucus* and *aspergillus restrictus*. No new matter was added. For instance, see page 1, lines 9-11, and page 3, line 5, to page 4, line 2, of the present application. Minor amendments were also made to claims 15 and 17. No new matter was added.

Accordingly, prosecution of claims 13-19 as amended herein is respectfully requested.

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